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IDAHO TOWN IS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Lewiston, Idaho, July 20.—The business portion of the town of Cottonwood, on Camas Prairie, 50 miles southeast of Lewiston, was wiped out by fire that originated in the Club saloon at an early hour this morning. Under a high wind the flames swept both sides of Main street, taking all the principal business houses in town. A canvass of the situation at 10 o'clock this morning shows the following business houses in ashes: Goldstone's, Brust's, Severn's and Puchs' merchandise stores; German State and First National banks; Modera's and Libby's furniture stores; Dorris' and Robinson's drug store; Dorris' hardware, Cottonwood hardware, Simon Bros' meat market, Cottonwood hotel, six saloons and several dwellings. No loss of life or injury. The total loss will approximate \$100,000.

Jos. Stiemmons and Everett J. Horton today filed notice with the county clerk of the appropriation of 200,000 miners' inches of the waters of Lake Chewaucum for power purposes, the notice being filed at a point in section 29, township 19 south of range 9 west.

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WATER PLANT ACCEPTED BY THE CITY TODAY

The city council this afternoon accepted the proposition of the Willamette Valley Company to turn over the water plant, the pipe lines and the lands and appurtenances connected with the maintenance and operation of the plant. As soon as a few minor details are arranged by the fire and water committees with the Willamette Valley Company the papers will be signed, and within 60 days \$140,000 will be paid the corporation for the property. This morning the fire and water committee and A. Welch, manager of the company, agreed upon the worth of the pipe line across the river which had been washed out, and the last obstacle that was keeping the city of Eugene from the ownership of its water plant was swept away.

At 5 o'clock this afternoon the council held another meeting, at which the contract for the purchase of the plant was ratified. The city will collect all bills for the month of July, the date of the surrender in the contract and deed of the property being July 1, 1908. Some agreeable arrangements will be made for the operation of the plant up to this time of the month. A contract was also made with the Willamette Valley Company to furnish power for the pumping of the water into the reservoirs, at 1 1/2 cents a kilowatt. There are three 350-horsepower pumps, and during the summer all are used, but in the winter Manager Welch expressed the opinion that one would be sufficient.

The company in this contract hold themselves responsible for all the power the city will need or can use, and the manager said they would be obliged to add another dynamo and engine to their plant at Springfield. This will be done immediately. In the contract for the sale of the plant two or three exceptions are made, the first concerning the right of the Warren Construction Company to take rock from the butte for work on the pavement of the streets of Eugene, and a second that the company retain ownership of the gas plant and appurtenances. The land which the city gains possession of includes the Skinner Butte property, the site of the pumping station and that of the wells.

Those present at the meeting at 2 o'clock this afternoon were Mayor Matlock, Councilmen Fisher, Harbaugh, Garrett, Berger, Bonch, Williams, Moon, Gilbert, City Engineer R. Waggoner, Recorder Dorris, A. Welch and Attorney E. O. Potter and L. E. Bean.

Morris Heard From A letter was read by Mayor Matlock showing that the Morris people were still after the bonds. They desired to know the value of the real

estate in Eugene, the property that belonged to the city, public school buildings and the University grounds, buildings and equipments.

Last Night's Meeting At last night's meeting of the council Mr. Welch was present, having come up on the 9:35 train. He stated that he was ready to talk business in regard to the little difference that existed between the council and the Willamette Valley Company in regard to the loss of the pipe across the river and other minor matters. The mayor appointed Councilmen Fisher and Garrett to consult with Mr. Welch to adjust the differences.

Morris Bros' Bid A communication from Morris Bros, the bond buyers, was read. It was to the effect that they would furnish the blank bonds for the entire issue of \$200,000 and take \$160,000 of the bonds on the same proposition as was first made, at par, but would charge 1 1/2 per cent of the \$160,000 for expense in furnishing the blank bonds and for legal expenses in examining into the legality of the bond issue. They want a complete history of all the steps taken in reference to the voting of the bonds and Recorder Dorris was instructed to prepare the necessary papers and send them to Portland at once.

The fire and water committee was directed to see the light company about putting in the arc light at the corner of West Ninth and Olive streets at once. The matter of screens for the street car headlights was referred to the fire and water committee. Councilman Williams introduced a resolution amending certain sections of the charter providing for issuing bonds for an amount not exceeding \$500,000 for putting in a water system and for issuing of bonds not to exceed \$50,000 for sewer purposes, including the \$27,000 of sewer bonds now issued, and to provide for an election of the taxpayers to decide whether said bonds shall be issued or not. The bonds are not to bear a greater interest than 5 per cent, and are not to be sold at less than par.

After the usual discussion and after a motion to pass the resolution, it was decided to wait until after the bonds that had been advertised were sold. Mr. Williams also introduced another resolution providing for the amendment of the city charter so that the amount for which the city can obligate itself for street improvements shall not be greater than \$15,000, and that the city be authorized to levy a special tax of not more than two mills per year to provide for the payment of the same. No action was taken on this resolution.

John H. Hartog, manager of the Commercial Club, asked the council that East Eleventh street be swept, as the new pavement had been packed down sufficiently. He also asked that sprinklers be attached to the street cars to sweep the street automatically; also asked that the street be flushed or washed once a week. This was referred to the street committee.

PLOT TO BLACKEN CHARACTER OF GOULD

New York, July 21.—According to the statements of Miss Mabey McCausland, a milliner's apprentice, there is a plot to manufacture evidence against Frank J. Gould in the suit for divorce which his wife, Helen Kelly Gould, recently brought against him. Henry S. Mousley, a private detective, and Mrs. Julia Fleming, have been arrested in connection with it, and the police have also questioned Mrs. Ben Teal, wife of a well-known stage manager.

Miss McCausland, when approached by Mrs. Gould's attorneys, told them of an alleged plan to injure their client. They took her to the district attorney's office, where she made a full statement, the substance of which was broached to her ten days ago, it is alleged, by Mrs. Fleming, who represented herself as coming from Mrs. Teal, who tried to interest her in the scheme. Miss McCausland asserted that she was promised \$1000 if she would make a statement compromising Mr. Gould. She had several interviews, she said, with Mrs. Fleming, Mrs. Teal and Detective Mousley, at which the details of what she was to testify were discussed. Miss McCausland consented to go into the scheme, but after she had signed the statement before a notary public she became alarmed and decided to notify the authorities. Both Mrs. Teal, her husband and the attorney claim she is a victim of circumstances.

"There is nothing to it and we are sure it will come out all right," said Teal. "Neither Mrs. Teal nor I know either of the Goulds, so you see friendship could not have been the motive, and certainly it was not money. We are both good friends of Bessie DeVoe. Miss McCausland came from St. Paul with a letter of reference to Mrs. Teal from Mrs. Teal's sister. My wife gave her work as a seamstress and a week ago the girl came to me and asked for a place as a chorus girl."

It is alleged that Miss McCausland was to testify at the divorce trial that Gould had been intimate with Miss DeVoe, an actress, in Mrs. Teal's apartments.

IRVING ITEMS (Special Correspondence.) Irving, July 21.—Mrs. Nancy Bushnell went to Junction Sunday on the noon train. She expected to take the stage for Lake Creek Monday morning, where she will visit her brother, J. M. Andrews. Mrs. J. M. Kitchen and Gladys Kompf went to Eugene Tuesday afternoon. Miss Florence Runyon is visiting in Salem this week. Mrs. E. Fisher, of Portland, is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. A. Inwall.

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BISHOP POTTER CALLED BY DEATH LAST NIGHT

Cooperstown, N. Y., July 22.—Bishop Henry Codman Potter, of the Episcopal diocese of New York, died here last night. Death followed an illness of several weeks, which began with stomach trouble and developed complications. For the past week the bishop had appeared to gain, but he suffered a relapse yesterday and last night all hopes of recovery were abandoned.

Bishop Potter was first and foremost a churchman in the sense that the Episcopal church uses that word. He came almost naturally by his standing in the church, for both his father and his uncle were bishops. Henry Codman Potter was born in Schenectady, N. Y., May 25, 1835, the son of Bishop Alonzo Potter, of the diocese of Pennsylvania. He was educated in the Episcopal Academy at Philadelphia, but like Phillips Brooks he took his divinity course in the famous old Alexandria Theological Seminary in Virginia, graduating therefrom in 1857. Strangely enough he did not have a collegiate education. After his ordination in 1858 his first charge was in Greensburg, Pa., for one year. He then went to St. Johns, Troy, where he was rector from 1859 to 1866.

He resigned this position to accept the post of rector of Trinity church, Boston, where he continued until he became rector of Grace church, New York. In 1883 he resigned this post to become coadjutor bishop of New York, to his uncle, Horatio Potter. The latter died in 1887, and his nephew then became bishop.



BISHOP HENRY C. POTTER.

The bishop took many journeys to Europe, where he was received, of course, with marked attention. That this did not disturb his peace in any way was shown by his utterance in London, and his repetition in New York, "You may depend upon it there is no love lost between the two countries. I think there is a good deal of gush about the British protestations of love for America."

He was very liberal with his ministers, and was especially hearty toward Dr. Rainsford, at whose views and ways many New York churchmen at first looked askance. But one day when a gathering of ministers was at his house Dr. Rainsford arrived late, having just come in from a fishing trip and wearing his angling togs. This was too much for the bishop, and he said abruptly: "Oh, Rainsford, please go and put on something canonical!" And Rainsford did.

The greatest monument to Bishop Potter's memory will undoubtedly be the famous cathedral of St. John the Divine, which is being built on University Heights, New York. The bishop threw his whole soul into this great work, raised millions of dollars for it, but he did not live to see more than a small part of the magnificent structure completed. He himself never expected to see the completion of the work, and did not even expect the next generation to see it, but with characteristic greatness of mind he planned far ahead and rejoiced in the idea that some future generation would enjoy the magnificent sight of the completed cathedral.

In 1899-1900 the bishop made a journey round the world, visiting the

Philippines and highly approving the work which General Otis and the United States army were doing in that region. In the winter of 1904-05 Bishop Potter took another trip around the world, inspecting the various missionary stations and getting from the journey rich material for addresses, lectures and sermons, and bringing before the eyes of the church what he regarded as the real value of missionary work in foreign lands. In 1903, upon his request for a coadjutor, Dr. David H. Greer, rector of St. Bartholomew's church, was appointed.

Bishop Potter was twice married, first in 1858 to Eliza Roberts Jacob, daughter of one of his parishioners in Greensburg, Pa. Mrs. Potter died, June 30, 1901, from heart failure, leaving him five children. In the autumn of 1902 the bishop was married to Mrs. Alfred Corning Clark, a widow of 55.

CHARGES AGAINST TEACHER DISMISSED

Salem, Or., July 21.—Motion for dismissal by the defendant in the case of the school board of District 38, of Lane county, vs. R. W. Smith, teacher near Junction City, appealed to Superintendent Ackerman from the decision of the county superintendent of Lane county, has been sustained by his honor, the superintendent of public instruction. Smith was released by the school board of a district near Junction City for alleged use of profane language, and he appealed to Mr. Ackerman. The school board of the Lane county district accused Smith of teaching the children to dance and go through movements that were not required in the course of study. The superintendent of Lane county did not find the complaints well based, and decided in favor of the teacher. The board then appealed to the state superintendent. The case was dismissed on the ground that a full settlement had been made between all parties.

FIRE FATAL SHOT IN JEALOUS RAGE

Portland, July 20.—David Conelli, an Italian, 27 years of age, last night shot and fatally wounded Mrs. Dolly Sharp and Delmar Peterkin, her companion, at the Awanee apartment house, 207 1/2 Third street. The woman died later, and Peterkin cannot recover.

Fleeing from the place of his crime Conelli was pursued for four blocks by a crowd of a thousand or more men, women and children, who shouted and jeered at him, trying vainly to stop him. He finally sought to elude his pursuers by running into the residence of Clifford Leonard, 328 Salmon street, where he was rooming.

Murderer Kills Himself. Bolting into his room, Conelli locked the door, hastily scribbled two notes, then sent a bullet through his own brain, expiring immediately. The man and woman whom Conelli shot were taken to St. Vincent's hospital, where the woman died an hour later. The man lingered, but surgeons express no hope for his recovery.

There are no living witnesses to the tragedy. Many heard the shots, but the only ones who saw the frenzied young Italian fire the shots were his victims, and he was alone in the room when he ended his own life. The woman was shot four times and Peterkin five times.

Conelli had living apartments at the home of C. M. Leonard, 328 Salmon street, and the woman occupied a suite at the Awanee apartment house on Third street. Those who know them say they have been on familiar terms for months, and that he was intensely jealous of her. Last week they visited Seaside, returning Friday.

NEW YORK BANKS STILL GAIN IN CASH RESERVE

New York, July 18.—The Financial will say: Contrary to expectations, the Associated Banks of New York City gained largely in cash last week, the statement indicating an increase in this item of \$5,186,400. There was a substantial rise in the loan item of \$4,579,000. In consequence of the increase just noted deposits expanded \$13,320,100. The increase in the reserve requirements called for by the enlarged deposits did not absorb all the cash gained during the week, and in consequence the surplus reserve increased \$1,856,375, to \$51,970,390. These figures are the report of actual conditions, the statement of averages showing larger increases in all items.

The banks are still paying into the treasury public deposits withdrawn by the order of the secretary, and the item of public deposits in the New York Associated Banks is now only \$9,333,000, compared with \$70,000,000 at the beginning of the year. The movement of money away from the interior last week was the smallest of the year, and as the time is at hand when money for crop purposes is needed, it is not likely that the enormous gains which the New York banks have made as a result of the shipments of idle money from all over the country to this centre will continue long.

MARRIED

At noon, July 21, at the residence of Professor and Mrs. W. P. Boynton in Eugene, Hjalmar E. Holmquist, of Deadwood City, Cal., and Miss Florence G. Howard, of Eugene, Rev. O. C. Wright officiating. Just Exactly Right "I have used Dr. King's New Life Pills for several years and find them just exactly right," says A. A. Felton, of Harrisville, N. Y. New Life Pills relieve without the least discomfort. Best remedy for constipation, biliousness and malaria. 25 cents at W. A. Kuykendall's drug store.

SALEM COMPANY WINS THE STATE RIFLE TROPHY

Salem, July 21.—Completion of the state trophy match, the state medal match and the beginning of the individual match marked today's activity on the state rifle range in the annual rifle competition. Every event went off without a moment of unnecessary delay, and a new record was established in the time of completing the trophy match.

After one of the hardest-fought battles ever witnessed on an Oregon range, Company M, of Salem, increased its lead of yesterday and carried away the handsome trophy. Company E, of Cottage Grove, which was pressing the Salem riflemen so hard, lost heavily on the final range, 600 yards slow fire, and took third place. Company D, the crack team from Roseburg, pulling into second position.

Salem got away with the gold medal in the state medal match this afternoon, when the first prize was awarded to Sergeant R. L. White. Second place, as well, went to a Salem riflemen, Sergeant C. Abrams. White and Abrams made 120 apiece out of a possible 150 at three targets, but White won, because of making the highest total in rapid fire at 200 yards. Sergeant A. A. Schwarz, of Portland, got third place, with 117 out of 117, winning over Private Ben Shields, of Roseburg, who had 117, but who fell short at rapid fire. Shields got fourth place.

In the individual match, for which there were 95 entries, Captain George E. Houck, of Roseburg, holds first place tonight at the completion of the first event, a skirmish run. Captain Houck leads today by a dozen points, but there are all the ranges yet to hear from. However, there are few better riflemen in the country, and he is a likely winner.

Those shooting above 35 in the skirmish run are as follows: Sergeant J. A. Royle, 42; Sergeant E. H. Fisher, 44; Corporal C. H. White, 47; Lieutenant B. L. Beard, 38; Corporal J. C. Spagle, 36; Lieutenant A. G. Plekard, 44; Lieutenant Grover Todd, 41; Captain R. O. Scott, 39; Sergeant A. A. Schwarz, 57; Corporal O. Romains, 64; Sergeant R. L. White, 50; Sergeant U. S. Rider, 35; Sergeant C. Abrams, 45; Captain Geo. E. Houck, 72; Major F. B. Hamlin, 44; Corporal W. W. McCracken, 53; Sergeant Harry Sayle, 37; Corporal Alex Ferguson, 67; Private Ben F. Shields, 43; Corporal C. Fisher, 52; Lieutenant H. H. Petrie, 38; Corporal J. A. Potts, 36; Sergeant E. H. Snodgrass, 40; Private B. Mooney, 38; Lieutenant E. Cunningham, 37; Private R. J. Karsten, 37.

The standing of the various teams in the trophy match was announced tonight, as follows: Company M, Salem, 446; Company D, Roseburg, 437; Company E, Cottage Grove, 433; Company K, Portland, 419; Company I, Woodburn, 402; Staff Fourth Regiment, Eugene, 402; Staff Third Infantry, Portland, 401; Company L, Pendleton, 388; Company A, Eugene, 375; Company F, McMinnville, 358; Company C, Eugene, 347; Company H, Portland, 346; Company G, Portland, 337; Company E, Portland, 330; Company G, Albany, 312; Company A, Baker City, 274.

E. E. QUIMBY WILL BUILD AUTO GARAGE

E. E. Quimby will at once build an automobile garage for Wray & Veltum, who handle the Buick autos. The building will be located on Mr. Quimby's lot on West Fifth street, near the Hotel Gross. The residence which occupies the lot, and in which E. W. Pollock and family now reside, is being moved to the west end of the lot to make room for the new garage. The new building will be 40x70 feet in dimensions, and will be a frame structure, covered with pressed steel in imitation of brick. It will have a cement floor and will be made as nearly fireproof as possible. It will cost in the neighborhood of \$2,000. Work on the structure will begin within a few days, and it will be rushed to completion.

GOVERNOR LETS CONVICT OUT TO VISIT MOTHER

Salem, July 21.—A radical departure from the methods which are commonly believed to prevail in state prisons has been inaugurated by Governor Chamberlain, who today allowed a convict to go home to say farewell to his mother, who is about to die. The name of the convict and that of his mother will not be made known. It seems that the woman is very old, suffering from consumption, and that she can live but a few days. She has been pleading for a chance to see her son before she dies, and it was at her request that the governor let the prisoner go to his home in the custody of a guard.

The convict will be permitted to talk with his mother one hour, then will be brought back. The favor was extended not to him but to his mother. This is not the first time this has been done, but Governor Chamberlain is the first executive who has allowed a prisoner to be taken outside the walls on such a mission. About a year ago a woman whose son was a convict became ill and the doctors declared that her death was a matter of but a few days. In response to the appeals the governor let her son go home. The visit had such a favorable effect upon her that she began at once to improve and soon recovered her health.

WM. HOLCOMB DROWNED IN LONG TOM

William Holcomb, aged 27 and unmarried, was drowned in the Long Tom at Monroe Sunday evening. The accident happened while Holcomb was in bathing, and occurred about dark. He and Joseph Zojavansky, after the heat of the day of Sunday, repaired to the Long Tom and entered the river just below the dam at the Monroe mills. Holcomb was unable to swim, and while wading around stepped off into a deep hole. His struggles attracted the attention of his companion, who reached at once to his assistance. He reached Holcomb just as the latter was sinking, and seizing him by the hair attempted to drag him to the surface. About the same moment Holcomb seized his rescuer by the leg and clung so tenaciously to him that both were about to be dragged down. The water was very deep, and finally, in order to save himself, the rescuer with the unpronounceable name had to kick loose and Holcomb was left to his fate. He sank out of sight and it was not until 8 o'clock Monday morning that his body was recovered.

Holcomb had resided for six or seven years in the neighborhood. He made his headquarters at J. T. Carpenter's, of Monroe. He is not the son of the painter, of Monroe.

GIFT TO UNIVERSITY FROM PHILIPPINES

George N. Anderson, a former student here, who has been in the Philippines during the past three years, has just given to the University museum a Negrito bow and a full set of arrows, from the sharp, barbed, rain-hunting arrow to the long, four-pronged, bamboo-tipped one used for birds. A half-dozen other types of arrows are represented, including those used for hunting deer, wild boar and fish. The Negritos are a race of dwarfs inhabiting a large part of the Philippine archipelago. Several of them were on exhibition at the Lewis and Clark fair.

STRONG BOX STOLEN FROM STORE FOUND NEAR ROSEBURG

Roseburg, Or., July 21.—J. A. Howett, who lives three miles north of this city on the Winchester road, has discovered the strong box that was taken from the safe blown in I. Abraham's store last October. He was walking along a small creek last Sunday that runs through his place when he made the find. The box contained some very valuable papers and several county warrants, none of the contents being worth the value of any one except Mr. Abraham. The value of the warrants will reach \$1500 or \$2000.

The box, after being taken from the safe, was drilled and another shot placed in the top of it to reveal the contents. There being but a small amount of cash in the box, the burglars had dropped it in this ditch, that it would not soon be discovered. It will be remembered that this safe-blowing caused the fire which destroyed the store and general merchandise stock of I. Abraham on October 31, 1907. There was not the slightest clue to the burglary at the time, but small bits of evidence have been constantly coming to light, and now that the strong box with its contents intact has been discovered, it may furnish evidence enough to capture the safe crackers.

There have been several pieces of money in circulation since the burglary that had the markings of nitroglycerine, and it is thought by several local firms that this money had not passed through many hands since the burglary until it came into their possession. A careful investigation will be made of the strong box. It is believed the parties who did the job will be apprehended.

FARMER MENTALLY DERANGED SLASHES HIS THROAT

Salem, Or., July 13.—Schuyler Ruble, a well-known farmer residing two miles west of Salem, committed suicide this morning by cutting his throat with a pocketknife. Ruble had been suffering from mental derangement for some time and had been taking treatment at a sanitarium in Portland. About a week ago he came to the home of his mother in Polk county and he has been taken care of by his brothers. This morning he was left alone for a moment, and when his brother returned he had secured possession of a pocketknife. The brother tried to take it away from him, but the deranged man slashed with the knife and viciously kicked until he had overpowered his guardian, and then cut his own throat.

He was 43 years old and leaves a wife and three children. He was formerly engaged in mining in Southern Oregon and was well to do. Mrs. Wald is building a good two-story residence on her lot on Charnelton street, between West Fifth and West Sixth, recently bought from R. M. Day. She will move the old residence adjoining to her lot on West Fifth, near Olive.

O. J. Hull, J. M. Wells and T. W. Scott today filed articles of incorporation of the Red Cross Drug Company, with a capital stock of \$25,000.

The shortest time around the world is reported to have been made by Lieutenant-Colonel Burnley Campbell, who left Liverpool on Monday, May 3, 1907, and on his return landed at Dover on June 13, 1907, covering the circuit in 49 days and 19 1/2 hours. If he had caught the St. Petersburg Express at Berlin he would have reduced this time by several hours.